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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

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Sir:

Prior to the initial examination of the above-
identified application, Applicants respectfully request that
the application be amended as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT

Please amend the abstract by rewriting same to read
as follows.

A₁ --A managing apparatus for managing data necessary
for providing a content is disclosed, that includes a